

St Mary's School, Mosgiel Newsletter



Mission Statement—St Mary's is a Catholic School dedicated to the provision of the highest quality primary education with a special emphasis of Catholic values and attitudes.

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Term 2 Week 10

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Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends of St Mary's School,

Here we are in Week Ten already and what a busy time it is. The children are all involved in interclass art exchanges, and our jump jam daily fitness programme continues for the whole school.

The senior classes are busy preparing for Stars on Stage and the Catholic School's Choir Festival. Both these will be held next term. The senior rugby team has been competing in the Otago Full Primary Rugby Competition and the Year Seven and Eight class are preparing for our school interchange with St Josephs from Oamaru.

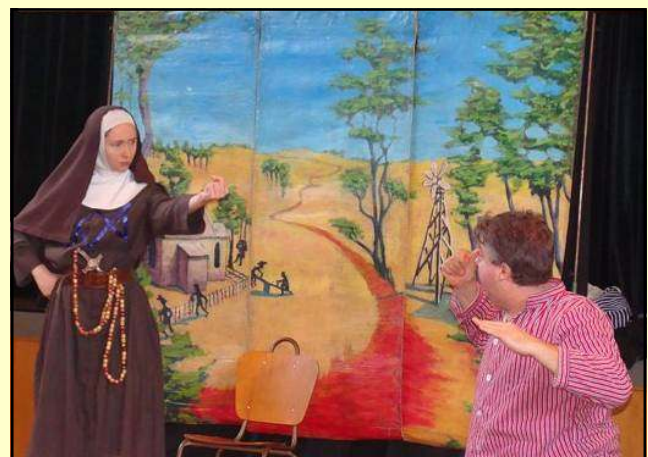
Last week several groups of our pupils took part in the Extra Spelling Bee in Dunedin. We are also putting in place planning for next term when the school wide theme will be the Rugby World Cup, and we will have a Year Seven and Eight group taking part in the "Kick start Golf Programme". Our challenge through this busy time is to keep our focus on our main goal which is off course achieving teaching and learning.

At our school we are very fortunate to have relatively small classes and a group of excellent teachers, and to support them two great teacher aides who work closely with your children. We use a proactive approach to learning at St Mary's striving to identify any issues early and dealing with them promptly, to enable us to achieve this we also use a number of external agencies.

To ensure that we offer our pupils the best possible opportunities we also have a group of parents and parishioners who volunteer to help out in various classes. Remember that our key focus is on achieving the very best for our pupils, and the help we receive from you our community is invaluable.

Have a great week
Mike Brosnahan

Young Mary Show Last Week



Our Vision : Confident, reflective, risk-taking, lifelong learners in a Catholic School.

St Mary's Extra Spelling Bee Teams

Our teams did really well in a very close contest last week. Well done!



Looking Ahead Term 2/3

July

5th Room 7 Camp Information Meeting 7pm
8th Room 5 Singing at the Library 11.30am
8th Room 1 Assembly 2.20pm in the Hall
8th School Disco—see notice below
13th Mufti Day—gold Coin donation
14th Senior Sports Exchange
15th End of Term 2

August

1st Beginning of Term 3
30th Catholic Schools Choir—Regent Theatre

Welcome to St Mary's

Over the last month we welcomed two New Entrants to Room One and our school community Jacob Struthers and Olivia Van der Vliet.



School Disco
This Friday 8th July
Get Your Dancing Shoes out
it's disco time!!

Juniors – Years 1 - 4, 6– 7.30pm
– a parent or caregiver must stay,
preschoolers welcome to stay with their parent.

Seniors – Years 5—8 7.30 – 9pm.
These children must be picked up from **inside** the hall by 9pm.

For Sale - Glow Sticks, Drinks, Chips etc
Note: **No** children from other schools are allowed.

Gold Coin Entry

We look forward to seeing as many parents and students as possible on Friday. There will be free coffee and cake for parents/caregivers that stay!

Last Thursday we were very lucky to have James Ross and Matt Truman from the Oceania Gold Nuggets visit to coach the St Mary's Miniball players.



Sport Results

Netball:

Yr 8 Gold won 22-7

Yr 7 Silver lost 19-9

Yr 5/6 Blue lost 10-17

Future Ferns won against Abbotsford 4-0

Miniball

Yr 7/8 Basketball won 18-0

All Stars bye

St Mary's Hawks lost to East Taieri 11-18

Hockey

St Mary's Team won 18-0

Sausage Sizzle – Camp Fundraiser

Please support the Room 7 Sausage Sizzle Camp Fundraiser which will be held on the last Friday of this term. Sausages cost \$1.50 each.

To order a sausage/s your child/ren need to take their money to their class teacher on **Wednesday the 13th July**. Thank you for your support.

School Calendar is on the Web Page

Our school Newsletters and Calendar is on the school web site :

www.stmarys-mosgiel.school.nz

Plus all the old newsletters, if you wish to look back at events/photos etc.

Cadbury Jaffa Race

Friday 29th July 11am—1pm Free Bus leaves from the Octagon Visitor Centre regularly between 10.45-11.45am, free street party.

Jaffa Race tickets for sale at the school office \$1 each. Proceeds to Taieri Parents Centre.

Altar Servers Sunday 3rd July

Cecilia Crooks, Thomas Kelly, & Anahera Reynolds

A thought for the week...

"We are all inventors, each sailing out on a voyage of discovery, guided each by a private chart, of which there is no duplicate. The world is all gates, all opportunities".

Ralph Waldo Emerson.